

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action marked Final, dated February 8, 2005. Applicants hereby request that the Examiner disregard the Amendment filed May 9, 2005 and consider this Amendment in lieu thereof.

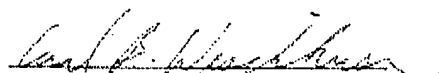
Claims 1, 3-11, 30-32, 37, and 39-44 are presented for examination. Claims 33 and 45 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Claims 1, 10, 11, and 37 are in independent form. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

To expedite allowance of this case, Claims 33 and 45 have been cancelled, leaving only allowed Claims 1, 3-11, 30-32, 37 and 39-44. Accordingly, all of the claims are now allowable.

This Amendment After Final Action is believed clearly to place this application in condition for allowance and, therefore, its entry is believed proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Accordingly, entry of this Amendment After Final Action, as an earnest effort to advance prosecution and reduce the number of issues, is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that issues remain outstanding, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' undersigned attorney in an effort to resolve such issues and advance the case to issue.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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